



College Essay Boot Camp FAQs

What is the Boot Camp like?

We meet in the office of Greatland College Consulting near Service High School. We'll employ a 10-step approach that begins with brainstorming ideas by tapping into your experiences, moving to developing a theme that will demonstrate your uniqueness, and finishing with a well-crafted, personal essay that will communicate to the colleges something about who you are.

Will I have a finished essay by the end of the camp?

You should have a finished essay. Some students require time to perfect a few of the final steps after the camp, but those are more about polishing and proofreading. The most time-consuming and challenging parts of writing the essay will be completed at the end of the camp.

How does the process work?

I use the method from the [WOW Writing Workshop](http://www.wowwritingworkshop.com). You can read about it at [wowwritingworkshop.com](http://www.wowwritingworkshop.com). I have been trained in their methodology and have found it to be the most stress-free, practical way to write a great essay.

What do I need to bring?

Students should bring a laptop computer or notebook to do the writing exercises and to complete the drafts. I prefer a computer so we can share our work through Google Docs, but if paper works for you, we can use paper.

How many people are at the camp?

The camp is limited to no more than 6 students. I've never had 6 in one session. It's usually just a few or even one-on-one. I want to make sure each student receives the attention they deserve.

Should parents be there?

No. The process works much better as a student-driven effort.

Where does the camp meet?

The Greatland College Consulting office is in my home at 5015 E. 98th Avenue. Just pull into the driveway and you'll see a welcome sign.

How much does it cost?

The cost is \$99, and if you bring some friends, we can reduce the price!

Can I cancel?

You may cancel up to a week in advance with no penalty. If there is sickness or an emergency, we will make other arrangements to meet to help you get your essay done!